

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
1685 E Street, Fresno, CA 93706

**PUBLIC HEARING**

concerning

Consideration of Adoption of Waste Discharge Requirements and  
Time Schedule Order

(National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit)  
for

**VISALIA MEDICAL CLINIC, INC.  
TULARE COUNTY**

Visalia Medical Clinic, Inc., owns and operates an outpatient medical clinic approximately 2 ½ miles west of Visalia. The clinic discharges up to 235,000 gallons per day of non-contact cooling water from air conditioning units to Mill Creek, a water of the United States. No chemical additives are used in the cooling water. The Regional Board will consider NPDES Permit No. CA0085154 to authorize the discharge. The permit includes new effluent limitations for total residual chlorine, pH, and toxicity. The proposed Time Schedule Order includes a time schedule to comply with the new total residual chlorine effluent limitations.

A **formal** public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 20 and 21 October 2005  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Dr #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of Central Valley Regional Board
- Visalia Medical Clinic, Inc.

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **3 October 2005**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **3 October 2005**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **3 October 2005** will not be accepted and

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will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions on the proposed Visalia Medical Clinic, Inc., permit (NPDES Permit No. CA0085154) and/or time schedule order should contact Matt Scroggins at (559) 445-6042. Interested parties may download the proposed Orders and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/tentative/>. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Board's office at 1685 E Street, Fresno, California, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_laws/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_meetings/mtgprocd.html](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html) or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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LOREN J. HARLOW, Assistant Executive Officer

31 August 2005